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Inventors: Hiroki SHIINA et al.	)	Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: 10/586,120	)	Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Filed: July 14, 2006	)	
For: <b>Recording Apparatus and</b>	)	
<b>Recording Method, Reproducing</b>	)	
<b>Apparatus and reproducing</b>	)	
<b>Method, and Program</b>	)	
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the document listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08. A copy of the listed document is attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the document listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08 and indicate that they were considered by making an appropriate notation on this form.

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Respectfully submitted,

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